# THE MADRAS LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.

## Monday, 10th December 1923.

The House met at 11-15 o'clock, the President (the hon. Diwan Bahadur Sir P. RAJAGOPALA ACHARIYAR, K.C.S.I., C.I.E.) in the chair.

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### NEW MEMBERS.

The following Members were sworn in :—

(1) ROBERT WILLIAM DAVIES.

(2) M.R.Ry. VYRICHERLA NARASIMHA SURYANARAYANA RAJU Garu, Zamindar of Kurupam.

### II

### QUESTIONS AND ANSWERS.

[*Order made by the President of the Madras Legislative Council under Standing Order No.* 15—

(1) Printed copies of the questions and answers to be put and given at a meeting of the Council shall be placed on the Council table an hour before the President takes his seat.

(2) The questions and answers shall be arranged in order of subjects.

The Secretary shall call the name of each interpellator in the order in which the names are printed, specify the serial numbers of his questions, and make sufficient pause to allow him or any other member a reasonable opportunity of rising in his place if he is desirous of asking a supplementary question. Supplementary questions must be put immediately after the principal questions to which they relate.]

### AGRICULTURE.

*Principal, Agricultural College, Coimbatore.*

1 *Q.*—Mr. C. V. VENKATARAMANA AYYANGAR: Will the hon. the Minister for Development be pleased to state whether the Principal of the Agricultural College was holding three appointments till recently and whether those three offices are now held by three different people; and whether the Government have appointed an additional officer now to look after some work once done by the Principal?

*A.*—The permanent Principal of the Agricultural College was also Professor of Agriculture and Superintendent of the Central Farm. He had the assistance of an officer of the Indian Agricultural Service as Assistant Principal and an officer of the Madras Agricultural Service as Assistant Professor of Agriculture.

Since the appointment of the Principal and the Assistant Principal to other duty, the duties of Principal have been carried on by the Economic Botanist in addition to his ordinary duties and those of Professor of Agriculture and of Superintendent, Central Farm, by a wholetime officer of the Indian Agricultural Service. The latter has an Assistant Professor and an Assistant Superintendent, both officers of the Madras Agricultural Service.